

PHBSA Boys Baseball Rules - Updated 4/17/2026

	7U Instructional Coach Pitch	9U Competitive Coach Pitch	11U Minors	14U Majors
General Game Rules				
Max Innings per Game	6	6	6	7
Game Time Limit (no inning starts beyond)	1.5 hrs	2 hrs	2 hrs	2 hrs
Complete Game (innings)	N/A	3	3	4
Tie Game	N/A	Post Season Only	Post Season Only	Follow rule 7.08
Mercy Rule	N/A	15 after 4 10 after 5	15 after 4 10 after 5	10 after 5
Inning Run Limit (except for last)	N/A	5	5	5
Fielding				
Minimum Playing Time & Position	2 innings at OF or C	2 innings at OF or C	2 innings at OF	2 innings, cannot sit bench 2 consecutive innings
Number of Fielders	10	10	10	9
Infield Fly Rule	No	No	No	Yes
Overthrow or Uncaught Ball	No Advance	Advance One Base	Advance One Base	NFHS rules
Outfield Hit Play Stops When	Ball in possession of infielder	Ball in possession of infielder & no defensive play attempted	Ball in possession of pitcher	N/A
Injury to Defensive Player	Dead Ball, take base attempting	Dead ball, with ground rule single for IF hit, ground rule double for OF hit	Dead ball, with ground rule single for IF hit, ground rule double for OF hit	Dead ball, with ground rule single for IF hit, ground rule double for OF hit
Batting / Hitting				
Batters per Inning	Entire roster	Up to larger roster number, or run limit	Up to run limit	Up to run limit
Bunting	No	No	No	Yes
Thrown Bat	Warning and discuss with player	Warning, warning, Out	Warning, warning, Out	Warning, Out
Hit By Pitch	No walk	Walk	Walk	Walk
Baserunning				
Stealing	No, no lead off	No, can lead off with pitcher motion	Yes, no steal of home	Yes, steal of home 1x per inning
Stealing 1st Base	No	No	No	Yes
Injured Runner Replacement	No	Last batter out	Last batter out	Last batter out
Courtesy Runner	No	Last batter out (for catcher if 2 outs).	Last batter out (for catcher if 2 outs).	Last batter out (for catcher if 2 outs).
Pitching				
Coach Pitching	5x then hit from tee	2x, then out	N/A	N/A
Player Pitching	5x from player, 3x from coach, then hit from tee	6x, then coach pitcher	Yes	Yes
Pitcher Throwing Limits	1 inning	1 inning	6 outs per day, & 18 outs per week.	9 outs per day, 27 outs per week
Balk	No	No	No	Yes, no penalty, just instruction
Field				
Pitching Rubber (from point of home plate)	40'	40'	50'	54'
Base Distance	60'	60'	70'	80'